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Lyle W. Asell, Interim Director
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Dear Mr. Asell:

Thank you for the submission dated November 7, 2000 requesting approval of the Corydon Reservoir total maximum daily load (TMDL) under §303(d) of the Clean Water Act. We have completed our review of the Corydon Reservoir TMDL as submitted by your office and in accordance with §303(d) of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.), we approve all aspects of this TMDL. This TMDL was also identified in my letter to you dated November 23, 1999, as one of the TMDLs that EPA committed to completing for the State of Iowa pursuant to our November 3, 1999 correspondence to Mr. Wallace Taylor. I would also like to take this opportunity to recognize your staff for extending a sincere partnership in collaborating with EPA on the development of this TMDL.

Enclosed is an EPA Region 7 Review Form which summarizes the rationale for EPA's approval of this TMDL. The EPA believes the separate elements of the TMDL described in the enclosed form adequately address the pollutant of concern, taking into consideration seasonal variation and a margin of safety. The effort that Iowa has put into public participation activities centered around this TMDL are particularly impressive.

Again, EPA appreciates the thoughtful teamwork and partnering effort that Iowa has put forth in the development of this TMDL and will continue to cooperate with and assist, as appropriate, in future efforts by Iowa to develop the remaining TMDLs on the current Iowa §303(d) list of impaired water bodies.

Sincerely,

U. Gale Hutton
Director
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Enclosure

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